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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 11-5-51

WEATHER Unseasonably cold weather prevailed after the first day of the week, with lowest temperatures below zero over the Panhandle to about 10° above over the southeast. Temperatures remained below freezing all day during several days. Precipitation was confined to light local snows. Several days were very windy, with low humidity, and there was considerable dust in the air over the eastern portion of the state on Saturday.

October was slightly cooler and wetter than normal. Precipitation was considerably above normal over the southern portion of the Panhandle and below over much of the southwestern portion of the state. There were no marked extremes of temperature during the month but there was considerable cloudiness and rather high humidity, which was not favorable for drying corn.

CROPS Harvest of the corn crop is now underway in nearly all sections of the state and reports indicate that picking operations should get into full swing during the coming week. Some corn is being cribbed but there is possibility of damage due to excessive moisture still present in many ears. However, most of the picked corn was being fed immediately or piled in small lots in the open.

Reports show very little change in the condition of the crop from last week. Moisture content remains in the range from 22% to 30%, much corn is soft and of poor quality, yields are generally disappointing and a considerable acreage will be pastured. Many farmers have erected upright or trench silos to handle immature corn which has been chopped and utilized as ensilage. Considerable interest in forced air and mechanical type drying systems is evidenced and many will be used. The south-central area of the state is still the source of the most favorable reports. Harvest is in full swing in that area and several farmers are through picking in Adams and Kearney counties.

Winter wheat continues to look good throughout the state as reports indicate that it has made good development and should enter the winter in fine condition.

Soybean harvest in the eastern area of the state is nearly completed. Yields are fair, some beans were caught by frost.

The sugar beet and dry edible bean harvest in the western area of the state was halted by the cold temperatures of the week. One county reports that 25% of the beets are still to be harvested. From 10% to 20% of the late dry beans remain to be harvested.

Feed grains continued to be ample in 76% of the counties and 10% report shortages. The supply of hay and other winter forage is ample in nearly all sections of the state. More than the usual amount of hay was windrowed in the range area this summer. This windrowed hay will be fed on the range. Ranchers are moving stacked hay nearer to the winter quarters.

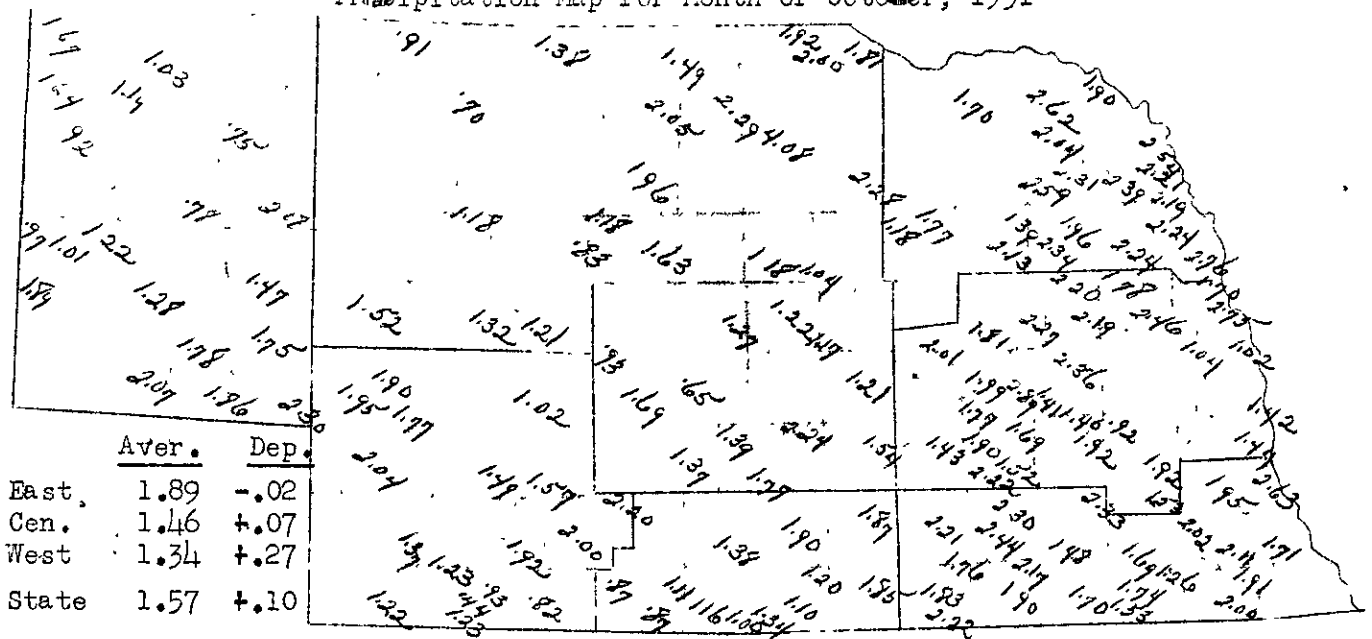
LIVESTOCK Range cattle are being moved to winter quarters in good condition. Reports continue to indicate increased interest in feeder cattle in order to utilize soft and immature corn, yet feeders are reluctant to pay the prevailing high prices for feeder stock.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 5, 1951

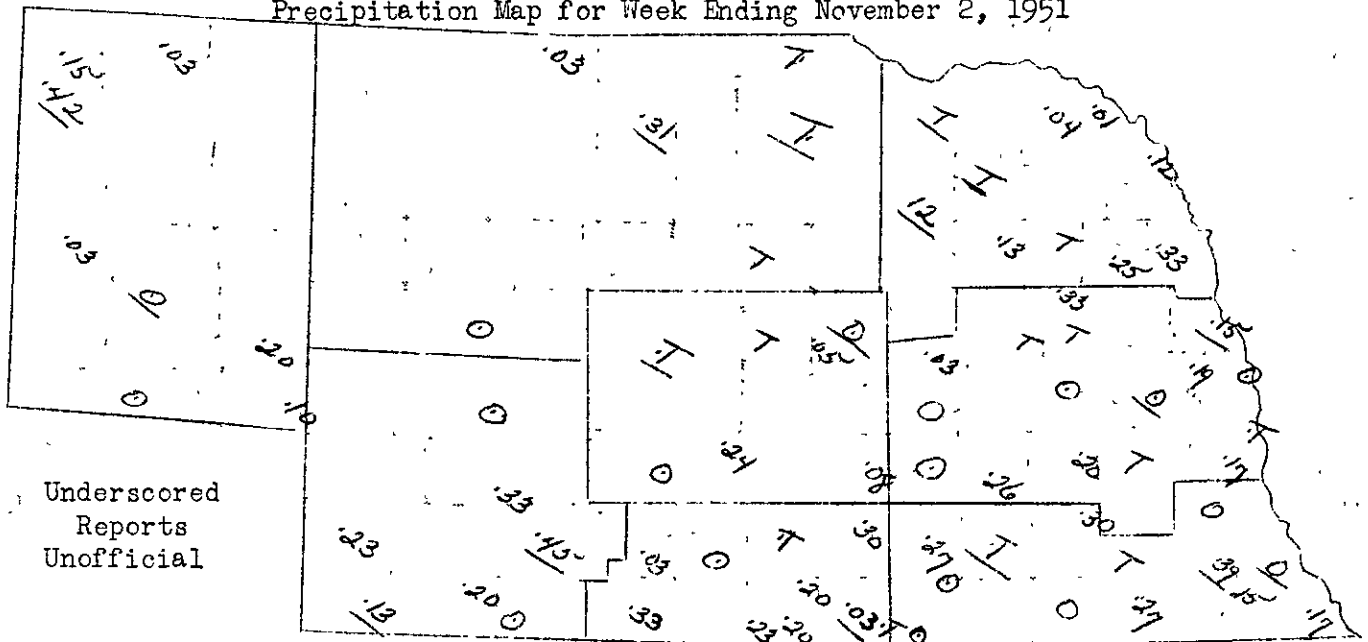
<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island .06	Burwell .06	Chadron .03
Lincoln .05	Lexington 0	Imperial 0
Norfolk .02	North Platte .02	Scottsbluff .03
Omaha .01	Valentine .10	Sidney .03
Sioux City 0		

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Precipitation Map for Month of October, 1951



Precipitation Map for Week Ending November 2, 1951



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (For 24 hours ending in a.m.)

		OCTOBER													
		30th		31st		1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	69	29	40	25	32	13	22	4	41	24	44	15	48	14
	Scottsbluff	69	29	50	24	32	18	24	-1	40	30	48	22	53	26
	Sidney	66	29	50	20	28	15	25	-4	34	34	48	20	51	23
N-C	Burwell	67	37	47	28	34	20	28	5	32	23	43	11	26	14
	Valentine	65	30	31	26	30	17	21	4	--	--	41	10	24	9
NE	Norfolk	67	43	52	28	35	23	29	8	28	19	40	12	16	14
	Sioux City	67	45	52	25	38	23	32	6	26	16	39	9	20	7
CEN.	Grand Island	67	41	51	28	35	20	31	6	37	23	43	12	28	16
	Lexington	67	32	43	25	34	19	27	5	32	--	49	14	35	17
E-C	Lincoln	63	50	53	28	37	24	33	12	28	23	46	15	20	19
	Omaha	66	51	54	26	37	21	34	13	30	20	41	14	19	17
SW	Imperial	69	35	47	18	30	22	25	0	31	22	51	18	48	20
	North Platte	68	37	51	26	31	22	27	3	--	--	48	--	43	17

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